

**DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**  
744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

July 11, 2001

COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 01/02-10

TO: ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS  
ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS  
ALL COUNTY FOSTER CARE EDUCATION PROJECT COORDINATORS  
THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE OF CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY  
COLLEGES  
ALL COUNTY FOSTER CARE SUPERVISORS  
THE FOSTER CARE EDUCATION COORDINATORS OF THE  
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CALIFORNIA STATE FOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION  
COUNTY AB 2129 PROJECT COORDINATORS  
CALIFORNIA STATE CARE PROVIDERS ASSOCIATION  
CALIFORNIA STATE OFFICE OF THE FOSTER CARE OMBUDSMAN

SUBJECT: FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT PLANNING  
ALLOCATION FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2001/2002

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 01-34, DATED JUNE 14, 2001.  
ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 2129 FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND  
RECRUITMENT PROCEDURAL CHANGES

Contingent upon approval of the State Budget, the amounts identified on the enclosed attachment are your planning allocations for the Foster Parent Training & Recruitment program. It is anticipated that a total of \$3,512,000 in federal and state funds will be made available upon approval of the FY 2001-02 Budget Act.

For Fiscal Year (FY) 2001/02, it is anticipated that \$1,733,700 of State General Fund (SGF) will be budgeted for Foster Parent Training and Recruitment. A total of \$98,125 of SGF will be set aside from the planning allocation to fund statewide recruitment and training activities and \$32,292 of SGF will be set aside for the California State Foster Parent Conference Contract. The attached provides you with the planning allocation distribution of \$1,603,283 in SGF.

Training funds were allocated based on the average monthly number of children placed in out-of-home care, excluding group homes, foster family agencies, and probation. Recruitment funds were allocated based on the average monthly number of children in out-of-home placements, excluding probation.

These average monthly figures were based on data from Child Welfare Services Case Management System as reported by counties for the period of 05/00 through 04/01. The funds were adjusted to ensure a \$2,000 SGF minimum allocation per county. Additionally, no county received less than they were allocated in FY 2000/01. There is no county match required for either training or recruitment activities and both are eligible for matching federal Title IV-E funds.

### Fiscal Claiming Instructions

Prior to FY 2001/02, in order to claim program funds, all counties were to have submitted a Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Plan. In an effort to provide more flexibility to counties, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) has decided not to require county plans beginning FY 2001/02. Instead of an annual county plan, counties will submit an annual report at the end of each fiscal year outlining certain program accomplishments achieved during the fiscal year. Please reference ACL No. 01-34, dated June 14, 2001 for further information.

These funds shall only be used to enhance or expand existing programs, or for the development of new programs, and cannot be used to supplant existing programs. The costs for Foster Parent Training and Recruitment are funded with state and federal funds where costs are Title IV-E eligible. The State share of cost for these expenditures is charged against the county's allocation. Costs reported on the County Expense Claim are charged to the allocation as follows:

<b>Program Code</b>	<b>Program Identifier Code</b>	<b>Description</b>
504		AB 2129 Foster Parent Training (75% Fed/25% SGF)
505		AB 2129 Foster Parent Training – Nonfederal (100% SGF)
506		AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment (50% Fed/50% SGF)
	506055	Contracted Administration
507		AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment – NF (100% SGF)
508		State Use Only - Foster Parent – 504 through 507 (Used by CDSS to shift costs claimed in excess of the combined State Training and Recruitment allocation to County share.)

If you have any questions regarding the annual report or the use of these funds, please contact Vebra Switzer of the Foster Care Branch, Recruitment and Training Unit at (916) 323-0592.

Questions on claiming or allocations/controls may be directed as follows:

PROGRAM:	Foster Care Services Bureau	(916) 445-7001
ALLOCATIONS:	County Financial Analysis Bureau	(916) 657-3806
CLAIMING:	Fiscal Policy Bureau	(916) 657-3440

DOUGLAS D. PARK, Chief  
Financial Planning Branch

Attachment

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# FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT

COUNTIES	2001-02 STATE ALLOCATION
Alameda	\$57,460
Alpine	\$2,000
Amador	\$2,000
Butte	\$7,789
Calaveras	\$2,000
Colusa	\$2,000
Contra Costa	\$78,794
Del Norte	\$2,304
El Dorado	\$2,786
Fresno	\$59,846
Glenn	\$2,000
Humboldt	\$20,541
Imperial	\$5,227
Inyo	\$2,328
Kern	\$36,928
Kings	\$4,372
Lake	\$2,061
Lassen	\$2,000
Los Angeles	\$520,954
Madera	\$3,360
Marin	\$2,592
Mariposa	\$2,000
Mendocino	\$8,856
Merced	\$6,021
Modoc	\$2,000
Mono	\$2,000
Monterey	\$5,653
Napa	\$2,151
Nevada	\$2,000
Orange	\$48,915
Placer	\$19,265
Plumas	\$2,000
Riverside	\$64,830
Sacramento	\$80,339
San Benito	\$2,000
San Bernardino	\$72,887
San Diego	\$124,497
San Francisco	\$60,874
San Joaquin	\$36,664
San Luis Obispo	\$7,057
San Mateo	\$7,484
Santa Barbara	\$5,769
Santa Clara	\$39,106
Santa Cruz	\$4,886
Shasta	\$7,381
Sierra	\$2,000
Siskiyou	\$2,000
Solano	\$11,636
Sonoma	\$95,300
Stanislaus	\$9,889
Sutter	\$3,389
Tehama	\$2,887
Trinity	\$2,140
Tulare	\$17,987
Tuolumne	\$2,000
Ventura	\$9,943
Yolo	\$5,752
Yuba	\$4,383
Total	\$1,603,283